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1. It was planned to cultivate a total area of 5,032,000 hectares in East Germany in 1954. Up to 30 September, this plan had been carried out by 99.3%, i.e. a total area of 4,999,000 hectares had come under cultivation, for which the nationalized farms were responsible for 236,000 hectares (or 4.7% of the total) and private concerns for the remaining 4,763,000 hectares.

2. Of the crops sown, winter rye represented the largest proportion (24%), with potatoes next (16.7%), followed by green fodder crops (11.3%), oats (10.3%) and summer barley (8.3%) in that order. The largest increase in 1954 over 1953 was in the cultivation of fiber plants, which jumped from 30,937 to 43,900 hectares.

3. Attached as Appendix "A" is an analysis of the results of the plan for crop cultivation in 1954 up to the end of the third quarter.

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APPENDIX "A"

Areas of crop cultivation in East Germany - Plan and realisation to 30 Sept 54

Crop	All enterprises				Nationalized Farms				Rest			
	Plan	Actual	% Fulfilment	1954 as percentage of 1953	Plan	Actual	% Fulfilment	1954 as percentage of 1953	Plan	Actual	% Fulfilment	1954 as percentage of 1953
Winter wheat	402.0	294.0	73.1%	103.5%	20.9	15.1	72.5%	131.6%	381.1	278.9	73.2%	102.4%
Winter rye	1209.3	1200.6	99.3	99.9	32.7	35.7	109.0	118.7	1176.6	1164.9	99.0	99.4
Winter barley	114.6	44.7	39.0	49.3	10.6	4.4	41.8	49.1	104.0	40.3	38.7	49.3
Winter oil seed	119.8	57.6	48.4	58.6	8.9	5.5	61.6	70.1	110.1	52.1	47.4	57.6
Summer wheat	35.0	130.1	371.7	95.7	2.6	9.8	384.2	94.9	32.4	120.3	370.7	95.8
Summer rye	10.0	14.7	147.6	70.2	0.5	1.0	196.3	84.0	9.5	13.7	144.9	69.3
Summer barley	316.5	415.6	131.3	-	11.0	21.5	195.4	-	395.5	394.1	129.0	-
Oats	530.1	517.0	97.5	-	19.8	19.7	99.6	-	510.3	497.3	97.5	-
Summer oil seed	30.9	85.4	276.3	125.8	1.0	5.0	511.7	163.4	129.9	80.4	288.6	124.0
Fibre plants	43.0	43.9	102.1	141.9	2.8	3.2	111.7	139.1	40.2	40.7	101.4	142.2
Sugar beet	227.6	221.3	97.2	99.6	15.3	15.4	100.9	114.1	212.3	205.9	96.9	98.6
Potatoes	346.5	333.9	98.5	99.7	32.7	34.9	106.6	112.7	313.8	799.0	98.2	99.2
Vegetables	75.1	71.5	95.2	98.3	6.0	6.5	108.4	106.0	69.1	65.0	94.1	97.5
Root fodder	320.0	322.8	100.9	108.1	13.0	12.5	96.2	123.5	307.0	310.3	101.1	107.6
Green fodder	578.9	566.0	97.8	110.3	26.8	28.5	106.2	123.5	552.1	537.5	97.4	109.7

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